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# THE LABOR NEWS

## CONVENTION FACTS

### HOW SHALL THE VAST NUMBER OF IDLE BE PUT BACK TO WORK? THIS MUST COME BY CLOSER CO-OPERATION

**A. F. of L. Monthly Survey, While Showing Amazing Improvement in Major Industries, States Unemployment Figures Show Little Change—Spring Season Found Industry Production 20 Per Cent Better Than Last Year.**

In the resume of general business conditions, the American Federation of Labor says that the approach of the summer dull season finds business still making steady progress. May will probably be the peak of the Spring busy season, with industrial production 20 per cent better than for May of 1935.

Building contracts awarded in the first five months of 1936 are about 11 per cent above 1935.

Unemployment continues to be holding production close to peak levels for the year. A survey shows no marked change in the unemployment rate. The year will see 2,137,000 persons turned out of the highest six months' production since 1929.

Labor production in the first five months of 1936 is 25 per cent above last year. Steel production is up 21 per cent, cloth production 11 per cent, and cement production 10 per cent. Lumber production is up 5 per cent, and other products 5 per cent.

These figures have been forwarded by the production. Leading corporations report earnings close to last year's levels. However, the stock market during the past month has been very weak. Workers may rely on the forecast that business activity will continue on the advance with no more than the usual summer decline and good prospects for higher levels next fall.

Sales of goods to consumers are the most important factor in the business. Sales of goods to consumers are the most important factor in the business. Sales of goods to consumers are the most important factor in the business.

### Resigns from Socialist Party to Support President Roosevelt

Last week it was Earl Browder, president of the American Federation of Labor, who resigned his membership in the Socialist party and who the annual convention of that organization, announced he had decided to support President Roosevelt for re-election. The convention approved his resignation.

Mr. Browder, who has been a prominent figure in the labor movement, has been a member of the Socialist party for many years. He has been a vocal supporter of the party's policies and has been a leading figure in the party's efforts to organize workers.

His resignation from the party is seen as a significant move, as it indicates a shift in the labor movement's stance on the party. It is also seen as a move to support President Roosevelt, who has been a strong supporter of labor rights.

### Questions to Be Discussed at Calais Meeting During Week of June 9th, of Interest to Organized Workers Throughout State of Maine

**Labor is Faced With New Conditions, New Possibilities and New Techniques, With Changes in Processes in Industry. Labor Must Meet With Adequate Plan of Action, Are Reasons Set Forth for Holding Annual Convention.**

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### President Green Suggests Means for Accomplishing This at Annual Convention of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers

**A. F. of L. Executive Council Will Have Full Charge of Campaign—Broadest Possible Industrial Policy Will Be Applied, With Jurisdictional Rights of National and International Unions Adequately Protected—Contributions Asked of Affected Unions.**

Washington, D. C., May 13 (APL)—President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, by direction of the A. F. of L. Executive Council, in a communication addressed to the officers and delegates in attendance at the convention of the International Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, Cambridge, Pa., set forth the plan and objective of the Council in its campaign to organize the workers in the iron and steel industry.

The plan and objective of the Council in its campaign to organize the workers in the iron and steel industry is to secure the recognition of the workers' union by the employers. The Council will have full charge of the campaign, and will apply the broadest possible industrial policy. The jurisdictional rights of national and international unions will be adequately protected, and contributions will be asked of affected unions.

### Guffy Coa Act Decision Hurtful to National Textile Act

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### STRIKE MAY BE CALLED TO ENFORCE WAGE RAISE AND 35-HOUR WEEK IN WOOLEN AND WORSTED INDUSTRY

**Would Affect All Mills Not Having Agreements With Federation—Action of Executive Board, in Session May 9 in Providence, Pursuant to Pronouncement Made at Passaic Convention to Organize Entire Industry as a Means for Stabilizing Wages, Working Hours and Machine Load.**

### MAINE AT ITS BEST IN BETWEEN-SEASON STAGE FOLLOWING DORMANT MONTHS AND RECENT DAMAGING FLOODS

Two weeks' tour of principal points in State by Labor News Correspondent Revealed Renewed Activities in All Industries and Preparations Started on Big Scale in Anticipation of Extensive Tourist Business—Building Trades Activities Unprecedented Since Start of Depression—Political Situation Presents Interesting Outlook.

### A. F. of L. President Strongly Endorses President Roosevelt

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, last Monday endorsed President Roosevelt's reelection.

Mr. Green, who has been a prominent figure in the labor movement, has been a vocal supporter of the party's policies and has been a leading figure in the party's efforts to organize workers.

### RHODE ISLAND IS TWELFTH STATE IN NATION TO ADOPT UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION INSURANCE LEGISLATION

Employers Contribute .09 Per Cent on Pay Rolls for 1936; 1.8 Per Cent in 1937, and 2.7 Per Cent Thereafter—Employees' Share is 1 Per Cent in 1937 and 1.5 Per Cent Thereafter—Maximum Pay of \$15 for 20 Weeks—John H. Powers Labor Representative on Commission.

### Pres. Green Highly Commends V. F. W. Annual Poppy Day

William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, has expressed his sympathy with the plans for this sale of Buddy Poppies for the American Legion, which was started in 1934, as has been done in previous years.

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### TRANSPORTATION BAN ON STRIKEBREAKERS FAVORED BY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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# STRIKEBREAKING AGENCIES VITAL SPOTS UNDERLYING INDUSTRIAL UNREST

**A. F. of L. President Exposes and Denounces Reprehensible Practices, Stating These Result in Blocking Free Speech and Assembly, and For the Purpose of Crushing Workers' Organizations—Says Genesis of Anti-Union Campaign Had Origin in Post-War Open Shop Drive by Steel Manufacturers in 1920-21.**

Free, William Green of the American Federation of Labor presented convincing first-hand evidence showing the vital importance of the activities of private detective agencies and labor spies in attempts to break strikes and smash the trade union movement, in speaking before the Senate subcommittee on Education and Labor, of which Senator Robert M. La Follette is chairman. Mr. Green also introduced evidence showing the secret activities of large employing groups, designed to crush the workers' efforts at self-organization.

Investigation of fundamental liberties. President Green went into detail in his exposure and denunciation of these reprehensible practices. Said he: "Free speech and free assembly have been blocked by the activities of spies, stool pigeons and undercover agents, who have operated on a nationwide basis. Like a malignant cancerous growth, this anti-union activity has penetrated into the very core of the workers' existence. It has undermined their morale and scattered the seeds of revolt."

After expressing the hope that the work of the investigating committee would be productive of good results, Mr. Green declared that the genesis of the current anti-union campaign had its origin in the post-war open shop drive of 1920-21. Steel manufacturers have been the major offenders in this respect, he declared. He described the picture of economic chaos in which that decade had ended, as a result of this union destroying campaign upon the part of the price and steel manufacturers, led by the Western Steel Company.

## Industrial Progress Encouraged Through Formation of Council

Industrial Progress is the order of the day. This spirit has given force and impetus to the efforts of the Portland Council, organized for that particular function. This has been the establishment of the Industrial Council in Maine and the assistance and guidance of those other industries which need a little special help and encouragement just at this time of national stress.

As the 45th city in the United States to sponsor the Industrial Council, Portland has organized the Industrial Council, which is working closely in harmony with the Portland Chamber of Commerce. It will comprise a fiscal board for the purpose of extending financial accommodation to small business enterprises as meet with the approval of the Council, acting in its fiduciary capacity.

## Local 333 Unites to Celebrate Anniversary at Long Island

Members of Electrical Workers Local 333, organized by the Cumberland County Industrial Union of Marine and Light Workers, will hold a celebration on Saturday, July 11 at Long Island, commemorating 30 years of organization. The Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of America, and President H. P. Place and officers and members have planned an excellent program.

Invitations have been extended to all employees of the company, and to the members of the Portland Industrial Council, as well as other organizations. The celebration will close with a dinner and dancing will be held during the ball.

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## Veteran Member of Street Car Men's Union at Queen's Hospital

It is regrettable to report the serious illness of Brother Michael McCarrick of Street Railway Employees' Union 714, who was stricken May 7.

Brother McCarrick, who has been a member of the union for many years, was stricken while on duty.

He is now confined to St. Luke's Hospital, where he is receiving the best medical attention.

His family is at his bedside, and the union is sending him loving regards.

Brother McCarrick is a well-known and respected member of the union, and his illness is a great loss to the community.

He is a veteran member of the union, and his long service is a source of pride to all.

His illness is a reminder of the fragility of life, and we pray for his speedy recovery.

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interior improvements being made at the Portland Central Labor Union building, which is now being occupied by the Portland Central Labor Union. The improvements include the installation of new plumbing, electrical wiring, and the painting of the interior walls. The work is being done by a team of skilled tradesmen, and the union is proud to support such a project.

**Portland C. L. U.'s Ball at Legion Gardens on Friday, June 19**

The Portland Central Labor Union has completed arrangements for its annual ball, which is to be held at Legion Gardens, South Portland, on Friday, June 19.

The committee, headed by Alfred Brock, and consisting of Edgar J. Sylvester, chairman, Lester M. Bragg, Philip L. Taylor, John DeBono and Sam F. Farnsworth, has planned an excellent program and all union members are urged to attend.

Members of 714 Dies as Result of Accident

Michael McCarrick, a member of the Portland Central Labor Union, died as a result of an accident on May 7. He was a well-known and respected member of the union, and his death is a great loss to the community.

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sent to each Government representative in the I. L. O. Conference, which is to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, on June 19. The conference is a meeting of the representatives of the various nations, and it is a great honor for the union to have a representative at such a high-level meeting.

**New England Musicians To Hold Next Year's Convention in Portland**

The Portland Central Labor Union has been selected as the host for the next year's convention of the New England Musicians. The convention is a gathering of musicians from all over the region, and it is a great honor for the union to have such a prestigious event in Portland.

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**DEL MONTE PEARS** 29c. can 19c  
**PEAS** Morning Sun 2 20-oz. cans 23c  
**IONA LIMA BEANS** 4 1-lb. cans 19c  
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**Confusion in Present Political Situation Calls for Sound Thinking**

Attention is called to a communique addressed to all international labor organizations, and to all labor organizations in the United States, by the International Federation of Labor Unions, which strongly advises members of the labor movement to be alert to the political situation of the Federation, which is the main body of the labor movement, and to be alert to the political situation of the Federation, which is the main body of the labor movement, and to be alert to the political situation of the Federation, which is the main body of the labor movement.

**20th Session of I. L. O. to Open in Geneva on Thursday, June 4**

Delegates of 61 nations, including the United States, will assemble at Geneva, Switzerland, on Thursday, June 4, for the 20th session of the International Labor Organization.

**Building Activities Greatly Improved, Says Business Agent Taylor**

For the first time in seven years, it has proven difficult to supply union carpenters to contractors and firms of Portland and Cumberland County who need efficient workers on building projects as all carpenters affiliated with Portland Carpenters' Union 317 are now employed.

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The Central Labor Union of Woodland, whose organizations and members are employed and reside in Washington County, are leaving nothing undone to make the 1936 convention of the Maine State Federation of Labor to be held in Calais from June 8th to 11th, one of the most successful in



CLIFFORD G. CHASE

State Representative of Washington County, Who Will Address Sessions

the history of the Labor movement in the Pine Tree State, both from the standpoint of educational value and entertainment features as well.

This is the first time in about 15 years that a State Branch convention has been held in Calais, and those who participated in the sessions at that time, who include many who plan to attend the forthcoming gathering, are sure that it was one of the best of all time of its kind ever held under the auspices of any local central body.

Men outstanding in the Labor movement, and leaders in political and civic affairs of Calais and nearby places will be among the principal speakers at the convention, as well as officers of the State Federation and of the Central Labor Union of Woodland.

The Chamber of Commerce of Calais is cooperating with the local and county committees for the success of this convales. The committee reports that one of the highlights of the convention, sponsored by the C. of C., will be an automobile tour to Eastport where the Quoddy Dam project will

be inspected and where the delegates and visitors will be entertained to a short dinner.

Wilfred Gagnon of Woodland, who is vice president in charge of the 17th District of the Maine State Federation of Labor, embracing the organizations in Washington County, is receiving the cooperation from officers and members of the Central Labor Union in making arrangements for the convention. Officers of the C. L. U. are: William Shaw, president; James M. Cluskey, vice president; John A. Pade, secretary; and Harry S. Leach, treasurer.

Officials of Paper Makers Local 146, whose membership includes employees of the St. Croix Paper Co. are: Charles Casey, president; E. J. Wahl, vice president; E. McLaughlin, secretary; and F. D. Johnson, treasurer. F. Murphy, general

officials of the Paper Makers and Paper Mill Workers Local 22 of Woodland, which were the delegates of the paper mill, will also be present. They are: William Shaw, president; Harvey Wilkins, vice president; Tompa Fowler, secretary; and Harry S. Leach, treasurer. Harry S. Leach

is expected many will remain in Calais for the convention, and many will be expected to stay in Calais for the convention.

The St. Croix Paper Co. is being headed by Irving I. Ross, who is his assistant, will be the headquarters for the convention.

Arrangements have been made to hold the convention at the St. Croix Hotel, which is a very fine building recently completely remodeled.

Scouts of the convention will take place in Newcomb Hall, which has been donated for this gathering by Cole Bridge, prominent Calais hotel man, who operates a garage and service station on the ground floor of this building.

All members of Calais and particularly those represented on this page, are operating in the fullest sense the convention a big success. The facilities of their establishment are open to the delegates and visitors.

who will had a diversity of places to eat, such as beverages, and to buy what ever needed things are necessary during their stay in Calais.

Has Good Record on Labor Measures in Legislature

State Representative Clifford G. Chase of Baring, who is a candidate for reelection on the Republican ticket, is well known to members of organized labor throughout the State of Maine through his activities in their behalf as chairman of the House Labor Committee.

Mr. Chase, who is employed by the St. Croix Paper Company, has the support not only of members of organized labor in his district, but the rank and file of people in all walks of life, who are appreciative of the fine work he has done in behalf of his constituents.



WILFRED GAGNON

Vice President of Fourth District, Maine State Federation of Labor and Chairman of Convention Committee.

Washington County and for the benefit of the entire State as well. Representative Chase has done a great deal of work in cooperation with the organized labor movement, and has a reputation as a man who is one of the speakers at the sessions.

His reputation made much to his credit for attendance and it can best be as evidenced through active work on his behalf as host of friends.

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MAY, 1936

## Turning Point Concerning Depressions

Secretary of Commerce Tells U. S. Chamber of Commerce of Wonderful Business Gains Made Since 1933

If any doubt had remained about the turning point of the depression having been reached, with the upward swing now in progress, the address of Secretary of Commerce, Daniel M. Roper, before members of the United States Chamber of Commerce, should settle that question, despite the open and avowed hostility of that body to the present Administration.

Quoting Secretary Roper, the following striking improvements in the general economic situation since 1933 are sufficient to justify the natural optimism which such a record affords:

Industrial production increased 42 per cent; factory employment gained 41 per cent; factory payrolls increased 95 per cent; cash income from farm marketings, exclusive of benefit payments, increased 45 per cent; department store sales increased 38 per cent; freight carloadings, 25 per cent; stock market prices (421 companies) 129 per cent.

Added to this is an increase of 104 per cent in foreign trade. As to the national income, that has increased by about 15 billion dollars, from 1932 to 1935. Mr. Roper goes on to cheerfully say that, for the first time in six years, business enterprise as a whole is maintaining current operations and paying dividends, without drawing upon capital or other sources, to make up deficits.

It is evident that Secretary Roper is giving main thought to the economic side of the New Deal question, whereas the Chamber of Commerce is stressing political opposition. If Mr. Roper's statement is true, and it is officially sponsored, the New Deal has resulted in greatly benefiting industry as a whole, and the vicious opposition manifested by business representatives at the C. of C. convention is regarded as absolutely unfair.

This opposition is so inconsistent with facts regarding tremendous business gains made in all lines during the past two years as to make itself ridiculous in the eyes of all fair-minded people.

## Internal Revenue Receipts Tell the Story

Unprecedented Increase in One Year Shows Nation is Making Good Progress Notwithstanding the False Arguments Advanced by Opponents of New Deal.

Internal revenue collections for the first nine months of the present fiscal year have reached the unexpected height of \$2,457,000,000. On the basis of these collections, estimates are made that Uncle Sam will collect a total of \$3,540,000,000 by the time the fiscal year ends on June 30.

On the nine-month report, this year has gained \$186,320,000 over the same period of 1935. What makes this gratifying increase all the more remarkable is the fact that processing taxes have dropped \$334,504,000 in the same period.

Income taxes for the nine months have brought in \$1,640,207,294. This is an increase of more than \$242,000,000 over the yield of income taxes in the first nine months of last year.

Liquor taxes brought over \$369,000,000, a gain of just under \$69,000,000 over the receipts from this source in the same period last year. Tobacco taxes were well over \$568,000,000; a gain of \$31,464,000. Cigarettes are responsible for most of this, bringing in \$317,778,000; a gain of \$300,000 over last year.

In view of the loud cries of anguish from corporation lawyers and overworked millionaires, three taxes are of special in-

terest. The capital stock tax this year yielded just under \$94,000,000, a gain of more than \$3,000,000 over the receipts of the same period a year ago. Estate taxes produced \$152,000,000; and practically one-third of the total sum given over the previous year. And the gift tax, which stops or at least makes difficult evasions of the income tax, and which money-bags grow weary in cursing, yielded \$154,751,457; a gain of \$87,119,478.

## More Talk Relative to Constitutional Rights

And Now It's Allied Chemicals That Would Hide Behind Secret Document in Effort to Keep Its Business Dealings Free From Publicity.

The Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation has filed suit in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals to have the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 declared unconstitutional. Of the five "reasons" which the company gives for this action, only two are worth considering. Allied Chemical alleges that the Constitution of the United States gives Congress power to regulate the exchange of securities. But above all and beyond all, Allied Chemical cries aloud that the SEC is trying to pry into the corporation's secrets, and would publish its private affairs to the world.

It is about time for Congress to declare that a corporation has no secrets or private affairs; and to make that declaration good. A corporation is an agency created by public fiat. Without the favoring will of public authority, no corporation could exist. The people have a right to insist that the books and records of their creature shall be wide open to inspection by public authorities.

It is time, too, to remind the business world that when public authority creates a corporation, it does so in the expectation of public benefits. These often do not materialize; more often still they are charged for at extortionate rates. The least that a sensible public can demand of a corporation is assurance that the public will not be gypped in the future as it has been gypped in the past; and that requires publicity for all corporation affairs.

As for the quibble that the Constitution does not give Congress authority to regulate securities exchanges when every such exchange lives on interstate patronage, one need only say that another amendment to the Constitution would seem to be very much in order. The pretension of Federal courts to set aside acts demanded by the people, passed by the Congress and signed by the President, never rested on any basis but usurpation, which is fast becoming intolerable.

## Observance of Agreements All Important

Sacredness of Trade Union Contracts Held as Most Essential for Maintenance of Reputation, Standing, and Honor of Labor Movement.

Collective bargaining and the observance of wage agreements is the fundamental principle of the organized labor movement. Failure on the part of trade unionists to observe this principle strikes at the very roots of bona fide trade unionism.

The importance of this policy recently arose in England in connection with an unauthorized or unofficial work stoppage by the employees of a garage of the London Passenger Transport Board, with which the Transport and General Workers' Union has agreements. The grievances of the men were in process of being adjusted by the Executive Council of the union. Despite these negotiations, the men took the matter directly into their own hands and quit work.

Ernest Bevin, president of the union, issued a statement declaring that the action of the garage employees was "without authority from the union," and was, therefore, "a breach of the rules and constitution of the union." In warning against the practice of unauthorized strikes and the necessity of observing union agreements, Mr. Bevin said:

"The union holds a number of agreements with the London Passenger Transport Board which have been negotiated through machinery voluntarily accepted on both sides.

"It is the duty of the union to see that these agreements are observed.

"The union and the members have certain responsibilities as well as certain rights, and regard must be had to both.

"The issue that now confronts us is whether the union shall be allowed to function and carry out its agreements, or otherwise.

"We would again warn all our members against being misled into following a course which can only result in weakening their organization, jeopardizing their agreements, and bringing into disrepute the machinery for negotiation which has been built up over a period of years and has been effectively used on their behalf.

"The members now out are instructed

to return to work and others to continue at work."

The position taken by Mr. Bevin in regard to the sacredness of trade union contracts was emphasized by the 1935 convention of the American Federation of Labor, which approved a declaration by the Executive Council that "when contracts are finally negotiated between the representatives of employers and of employees, it becomes the duty, in fact, the obligation, of all parties to signed agreements to comply with said agreements, to carry them out and to maintain them inviolate." The Executive Council added that all wage agreements negotiated, accepted and signed "represent solemn covenants that cannot be disregarded and violated without sacrificing reputation, standing and honor."

## A PERSONAL ENDORSEMENT

There is a conflict of understanding regarding William Green's endorsement of President Roosevelt's re-election. Mr. Green stated emphatically, when announcing his endorsement of the President, that this was his personal choice, and that by no means was he speaking for the American Federation of Labor.

Mr. Green's decision in taking this stand, however, it is certain, voices the sentiments of the great majority of members of trade unions, who are in full realization regarding the benefits derived by Labor in general during his administration, and as a consequence felt wholly justified in giving the President his unqualified endorsement.

Had vicious opponents of the President been able to witness the enthusiasm with which his name was received when mentioned by the writer at a meeting of

more than 100 members of a nearby local union last Sunday, they would realize the hallyhoo they are trying to stuff down the throats of working people is having little or no effect in turning them against the President.

The ravings of the Mulligans, Lawrences and Longworths, the vicious opposition on the part of the Liberty League and big business, are given little or no attention, the great rank and file workers seeming to look upon this as just so much propaganda, and in which they take little stock.

## EFFECTS OF RECENT FLOODS

Dr. Alfred Weed tells the world—through the American Institute of Sanitation, that the floods this Spring will be a menace to health this Fall. The floods left countless pools behind; these are perfect breeding places for mosquitoes; and mosquitoes carry malaria.

All true—but not the whole truth, and the part that Dr. Weed left out is cheering. Mosquitoes are a pest, of course; but over a majority of the flood area, they cannot carry malaria, for the excellent reason that there is no malaria to carry. On the eastern seaboard and in the Appalachian north, there is no known malaria north of the Potomac; and in the Mississippi Valley, southern Missouri and the tip of Illinois, are the northern limit for the Plasmodium malariae.

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## DRIVE FOR COMPLETE ORGANIZATION OF WORKERS LAUNCHED AT CONVENTION OF WOOLEN AND WORSTED FEDERATION

Constitution Adopted at Passaic Convention Placed the Organization Squarely on Record in Favor of Industrial Unionism and Established a Statistical Bureau for Purpose of Keeping on Record Complete Data Relating to Wages, Hours and Working Conditions—Favor American Youth Act.

Passaic, N. J., May 1.—The annual convention of the Federation of Woollen and Worsted Industries was held here today for the purpose of bringing more closely together all workers engaged in every branch of the Woollen and Worsted industry to advance their mutual interests as working men and workers.

"We do not because we realize that this industrial unionism cannot survive a decent living through their individual efforts or on the basis of their individual skill as a worker."

"We take note that the manufacturers are organized and cooperate to advance their profit interests at the expense of the workers. Only if the workers learn to co-operate by the use of the workers' union, and cooperate through a vigorous union, can they hope to win improvements for themselves and make the world a better place to live in."

It is our aim to win improved wages, shorter hours of work, and to eliminate the atrocious injury forms as well as establishing more sanitary conditions of work. We further aim to advance a moral, educational and social coalition of the workers in the Woollen and Worsted industry, together with the rest of the workers of the Textile industry as a whole. We propose on our banner the watchword, "An injury to one is the concern of all."

In order to achieve the above, we pledge ourselves to cooperate in the building of a strong, united labor movement through industrial form of organization which will defend the interests of the workers of the industry.

Special appropriations were voted to aid in the organization work in Lawrence and Passaic.

It was pointed out to the 150 delegates from more than 50 local unions in the New England States, New York and New Jersey, that the Federation is a force of strong organization which the Federation is in a position to establish industry, through uniformity in wages and conditions and reductions of working hours.

In a resolution passed by the convention, the delegates instructed the secretary-treasurer, Anthony A. Valente to obtain all data on wages and working conditions to be compiled into a new price index.

One of the features of the new laws of the organization providing for a bi-annual election of officers with the officers elected one year and the active board elected the second year.

The annual convention was moved from March to April, with the place of meeting to be left in the hands of the executive committee.

Outstanding among the resolutions passed at the convention was one that showed resentment of the Federation for the failure of Congressmen Hart and Keefe of New Jersey and Congressman Remick of Georgia, to vote approval of the National Youth Act when it was being considered in Congressional Committee. The resolution stated that the 12 states east, 10 registered approval of the measure. The local unions in these two States were urged to use influence to have those Congressmen change their present position and favor the act when it comes to the floor of Congress for approval.

Claiming that the American Youth Act would be of great aid to the five to eight millions of unemployed and needy young men of this country who have been placed in a position to break down labor standards, in most cases against their will, the convention also went on record as approving this measure. The delegates instructed Secretary-Treasurer Valente to make known their decision to Congressmen and U. S. Senators and the Committee on Education and Labor in Washington.

Further aid for needy youth was demonstrated at the convention by the adoption of resolutions favoring the present National Youth Act. This amendment would provide for the payment of the prevailing wage rate to such youth as were working on the various relief projects of the government. The object is to prevent the demoralization of the prevailing wage scale and to provide additional educational and vocational training for youth, especially for the children of textile workers.

It is estimated that there are at present from five to eight million unemployed and needy youth in the United States.

Delegates from Maine present at the convention were: E. L. Landry of Madison; Bernard Eshaya of Waterville; and also organizer George John of Waterville.

Secretary of Labor Perkins reported that about 225,000 American workers found jobs during March.

The Secretary said that the current pickup in business was reflected further by the fact that March weekly payrolls were about \$10,000,000 greater than in February, and that there were pronounced seasonal gains in private building construction, quarrying and non-metallic mining.

## CHILD LABOR, EXILED BY NRA, HAS MOVED TO CANADA, IS CHARGE

Sweating of Workers in Home Under Contract System Has Produced Slave Conditions, Ontario Minister of Labor Declares in Urging Home-Work Regulation Measure Before Parliament.

Toronto, May 6 (AP)—When child labor was abolished in the United States by the NRA it moved up into Canada on a new scale, taking the form of sweating the workers in the home under a contract system, has produced conditions tantamount to slavery."

So said David A. Croft, Minister of Labor in the Ontario government, in moving an amendment to the Factory Act to regulate wages and conditions of work done in the home under contract.

The amendment gives the government power through the minimum Wage Board, jurisdiction over home work for money, and hereafter permits will have to be taken out in all parts of Ontario, and reports each hour of work and payment received.

The Minister said the intent of this situation was that many of the workers were on relief, and of necessity. No one could live on the returns they receive for long hours of work. The poverty was the only explanation why human beings accepted such low rates of pay.

Mr. Croft cited a contract to make 12 pairs of ladies' hosiery, and some "sweatshop" work was about four days in filling the order. Forty-five cents for four days' work.

He said that when women are working full time for an employer and are not being paid a subsistence wage, the difference must come from some other source if life is to be sustained. That other source is usually in the home—paid public welfare agency.

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openly to concern rendering a public service, yet incapable of earning adequate income. But no industry has the right to avoid a deficit or add to the public by forcing an indirect subsidy from the public treasury.

"An industry which does an unprofitable business, and a statute which prevents the diversion to unworthy recipients of funds intended for the helpless and the jobless is as clearly unconstitutional as a statute which punishes larceny or fraud upon the government."

For the worker no investment. With the union a compare. It's no "make any" proposition. That is built upon "hot air". For the money one puts into it. There's always good returns. Quite in contrast to conditions in "sweat shop" concerns.

Thomas H. West

Coal Strike is Averted by Extending Present Agreement

New York, N. Y., May 6 (AP)—A strike of around 100,000 anthracite coal miners was averted when officials of the United Mine Workers of America and the anthracite operators, after a conference with Edward F. McTeague, Assistant Secretary of Labor, agreed that operations were to be continued until the present contract expired.

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- Fire Protection Within the District,**  
including fire fighting, is organized and paid for by the State through an appropriation of about \$150,000 secured by special tax of 2 1/4 mills on the dollar of all property in the District. The responsibility of the administration and the enforcement of the forest fire laws within this district is placed squarely upon the State Forest Commissioner.
- The Sub-Divisions of the District,**  
The district is divided into 30 sub-districts and each sub-district is in charge of a chief warden, who has for his subordinates the watchmen, patrolmen and deputies.
- The Fire Prevention Force.**  
In addition to the chief wardens, there are 75 watchmen and 65 patrolmen, who are commissioned and employed on full time during the months of May, June, July, August and September. There are also 500 deputies commissioned each season who serve only when called upon by the chief warden to act as patrolmen or as assistants during a fire.
- The Equipment**  
There are at present 75 lookout stations — 66 of which are of steel — 107 camps, 1938 miles of telephone lines, 10,000 pieces of fire fighting tools, 4 motor boats, 65 canoes, 41 automobiles and truck and 50 pumps equipped with from 1,000 to 1,500 feet of hose each.
- The Outside District**  
Responsibility for the protection of the 5,000,000 acres of forest land outside the Maine Forestry District rests upon the municipal officers of each town or plantation. The State cooperates with municipal officers in the enforcement of the state laws and in the maintenance of fire lookout towers, but cannot contribute toward the cost of fire fighting.

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## VICE-PRESIDENT RIVIERE TO ADDRESS TEXTILE MEETINGS IN BRUNSWICK AND WATERVILLE IN BIG MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

In compliance with requests from local Textile Councils through the Maine Textile Council, at its convention held in Brunswick May 9th, Vice-President Horace A. Riviere of the United Textile Workers of America will inaugurate an intensive organization drive with addresses at two mass meetings, one to be held in Brunswick on Wednesday, and at Waterville on Thursday.

In connection with this effort to stimulate interest in organization work, Mr. Riviere will explain in detail action taken by the Union and Woodmen and Worsted Workers of America, and will discuss the progress of the drive with addresses at two mass meetings, one to be held in Brunswick on Wednesday, and at Waterville on Thursday.

Contrary to news published in Portland and other papers, this is not intended to be a federal strike in the industry, as it will not affect those concerns which are not members of the union, or those with whom relations are such that make collective bargaining impossible.

Riviere, who will be accompanied by his wife, will meet with their union employees and where wages hours and working conditions are in accordance with prevailing rates.

Mr. Riviere will also advise local unions that strikes will be called only when the local fair method, and only after all other means have been exhausted. Unions in all parts of the State will be urged to call mass meetings and invite non-members to attend. This is for the purpose of explaining details not only to members but to non-members as well.

All local unions received during the past week letters from Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Committee of the United Textile Workers of America, and it is on this communication that Vice-President Riviere will largely base his talks.

Included in Mr. Riviere's visit to Brunswick will be to discuss the grievance of Local 225 against the Cabot Manufacturing Co., which is the outcome of the recent strike, and the Federal court order obtained by the company restraining the Federal Labor Relations Board from conducting a public hearing on complaints of violation of the fair trade practices act, the complaint being that the company had refused to bargain collectively with representatives of Local 225.

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Joseph G. Becker, who has been in business for more than 30 years, is reflected with having done more in being about the agreement. He is a member of Local 531 and is known as a man of high character and reputation with qualities also apply to his work in general. The specific terms of the agreement follow:

"This helps to constitute a day's work and in hours to constitute the working week, journeyman rate to be 22 cents per hour or six dollars per day, time and one-half for all over time. Double time for Sunday and holidays. The apprentice for every five journeymen, or fraction thereof, no journeyman to take any contract work but will be allowed to work when unemployed by the day at contractor's wage, namely, 30 cents per hour, or \$2.00 per day. Violations on the part of journeyman or contractor, to be penalized at \$5 per day while engaged in such work. Contractors finding it necessary to employ non-members of the organization to be required to file with the Board.

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L. J. Foley, New York  
Man, Elected Granite  
Cutters' Int. President

Lawrence J. Foley, president of the  
New York Branch of the Granite Cutters'  
International Association of America,  
was elected international president  
at the meeting held in Quincy on  
Monday, May 4th.

Mr. Foley was elected to fill the  
vacancy caused by the late Sam Squibb  
who was accidentally killed some  
weeks ago.

In the March election for  
candidates, there were 13 seeking the  
office. With John Foley of New York  
and Frank O'Neill of Boston, he  
received the nomination. At both the  
convention and election, Mr. Foley  
received a record vote for lifetime  
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C. C. Coffin to Represent  
Theatrical Employees'  
624 at K. C. Convention

At the last regular meeting of the  
Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving  
Picture Operators, Local 624 of N. Y. C.,  
it was voted to be represented  
at the annual convention of the  
International Alliance, to be held in Kansas  
City, Mo. during the week beginning  
June 8th and ending June 12th. C. C. Coffin  
was elected as a delegate.

Mr. Coffin will make the trip to  
Kansas City by automobile, and will  
have as companions, Brothers John  
Hague of Lowell and Dick Lawler of  
Portland, who will represent their  
respective locals at the convention.

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